

RESOLUTION NO. RES-07-0008

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LONG BEACH IN RECOGNITION OF AN ANNUAL  
SEASON OF NONVIOLENCE FROM JANUARY 30 TO  
APRIL 4

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach, the State of California, and our entire  
nation continue to confront the challenge of violence in the form of hate crimes,  
brutality, domestic abuse and other forms of inhumanity; and

WHEREAS, an awareness of nonviolent principles and practices is a  
powerful way to heal and transform our lives and communities, to recognize the dignity  
and worth of every human being, and to promote peace and harmony among all people  
regardless of race, color, culture, class, language, faith, age, gender, sexual preference  
or other apparent difference; and

WHEREAS, the principles and practices of nonviolence were epitomized  
in the lives and work of two international leaders, Mahatma Mohandas K. Gandhi and  
the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, January 30, 2007 marks the anniversary of the assassination  
of Mahatma Mohandas K. Gandhi and April 4, 2007 marks the anniversary of the  
assassination of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; and

WHEREAS, the Season of Nonviolence spans 64 days from January 30  
to April 4 and encompasses numerous events and programs to recognize and  
demonstrate that nonviolence is a powerful way to heal, transform, and empower our  
lives and our communities;

WHEREAS, during the period January 30, 2007 and April 4, 2007, groups  
throughout the United States and the world will sponsor projects and programs to  
create greater awareness and consciousness of the principals and practices of

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1 nonviolence, including symposia on interfaith and inter-racial healing, days of dialogue,  
2 prayer, and meditational, artistic and cultural events, essay contests, and special  
3 activities for children; and

4 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves  
5 as follows:

6 Section 1. That Mayor Bob Foster and the members of the Long Beach  
7 City Council do hereby declare that each year the period from January 30 through  
8 April 4 is declared to be "A Season of Nonviolence" in the City Long Beach; and  
9 programs and projects conducted in the spirit of nonviolence during this season are  
10 hereby encouraged and supported, and further that during the annual "Season of  
11 Nonviolence" the City will make every effort to include cross cultural and multi-ethnic  
12 groups, organizations and individuals in a concerted community outreach and  
13 educational effort directed toward the awareness of nonviolent principles and practices.


14 Sec. 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by  
15 the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution.

16 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council  
17 of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of January 16, 2007, by the following vote:

18 Ayes: Councilmembers: B. Lowenthal, S. Lowenthal, DeLong,  
19 O'Donnell, Schipske, Reyes Uranga,  
20 Gabelich.

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22 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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24 Absent: Councilmembers: Lerch.

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28 City Clerk